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Caught Huge Shark.

Three men of the fishing schooner Gladys and Nellie battled with a 400-pound shark on Jeffries bank Sunday and finally landed it. The shark had become tangled in a buoy line, and Stiles Ross, one of the three, tried to kill it and nearly upset the dory.

Lester George and Michael Morrissey answered his hurry call. They were puzzled, as all they could see was Stiles vigorously declaiming and jabbing at an unseen object with an oar.

The trio skirmished until they got the shark unawares and then perforated his body with fish forks till the monster weakened. The shark, measuring 12 feet in length, was brought to T wharf Monday.

Cold Storage Plant at St. John's, N. F.

Some men from the United States, says the Trade Review, are in St. John's looking over the ground with a view to launching a large cold storage project. We hear that they have approached the government with a view to special legislation in connection with their project, and, at the present juncture, they are not in a position to talk definitely of their plans. In a general way, however, we learn that they intend to roughly set apart the south and east coastline of the island into five distinct sections, and so place five cold storage depots as to be practically equidistant. Each depot will have a capacity of a million lbs. of fish, and both fresh and green fish will be handled.

New Fish Corporation.

The Eastern Canada Fisheries Co., Ltd., successors to the Magdalen Islands Development Co., have placed large orders for provisions, etc., to be sent to the Magdalen Islands, and are preparing for work next season.

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Now Pollock Seining.

Sch. Grace Otis is now engaged in pollock seining under command of Capt. Joseph E. Graham.

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Towboat Mariner Now Engaged in Fishing.

The towboat Mariner is now engaged in shore fishing, having been chartered by Capt. Allison for use while his steamer Nomad, which was damaged by fire recently, is undergoing the necessary repairs to put her in shape again for fishing. The Mariner, as was the Nomad, is engaged in steam netting on the shore grounds off here.

Southern Fishermen Missing.

Nothing has been heard of the five fishermen who sailed from Charleston, S. C., in the little skip Flagship on a fishing trip recently; and even the most optimistic of their friends have reached the conclusion that they were drowned. The five men were Joseph Norton, Peter White, Babe Brown, Mannie Gibbes and Tom Ravanel.

Good Haddocking Stocks.

Sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin L. Welch, stocked \$2240 as the result of her recent haddocking trip, the crew sharing \$48.80 clear.

Sch. Morning Star, Capt. Freeman Decker, which was also at T wharf with a fine fare Monday, also got a nice stock, her crew sharing \$49 clear.

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Portland Fish Notes.

There are plenty of fish off the Maine coast. That is the report brought back here by the members of the local fleet who have been setting their trawls in Rockland bay. All of them say that all kinds of fish, and haddock were found in particularly good numbers. This is encouraging news for the finnan haddock trade for there was a feeling at one time that not enough would be secured to smoke. Now there are plenty and the fish are said to be a better quality than ever.

For all the fish are piling into Portland in good sized trips, the market still remains firm. There is a ready demand for sea food and it is being bought up as quickly as it is landed.

Several more vessels of the local fishing fleet came in Tuesday, all with good fares, and the market is now well supplied. Sch. Lochinvar brought in 18,000 pounds of mixed fish, sch. Fannie Reed had 15,000, while sch. George H. Lube landed the banner trip, 30,000 pounds, on which she stocked over \$1000 the crew sharing about \$52 each.

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SOME STORIES ABOUT LOBSTERS.**MAINE FISHERMEN FIND CATCHING THEM A PROFITABLE BUSINESS.**

Lobsters are always interesting.

The very fact that they are the most expensive of sea food lends an interest to the shell fish. There are other facts also about them that make them worth the attention of anyone, for there are lobsters and lobsters.

Several weeks ago the Portland papers told of some yellow lobsters and some blue ones that had been landed at the N. F. Trefethen Co. Recently Capt. George W. Greenleaf of the United States fisheries steamer Gannet had some interesting things to tell of the crustaceans.

"Ever hear of a red and black lobster," asked the captain. Those who happened to be in the office said they had not.

"Well I've seen them," continued the man who has handled many thousands of the shellfish in the service of the government. "Several times I have come across lobsters half of which would be a bright red just as if they had been boiled while the other half would be black, or a green so deep that it looked black. The division line along the back was clearly marked."

"Maybe he was originally all green and got half boiled swimming along the edge of the gulf stream," suggested one man who was in the office.

Asked if he had seen any other colored lobsters besides those already mentioned Capt. Greenleaf said very frequently spotted ones were found, lobsters that had big yellow blotches all over their backs and tail. This variety, in fact is very common.

Never Have Two Jammer Claws.

"But there is one thing," continued Capt. Greenleaf, "you have never seen and I doubt if you ever will see a lobster with two jammer claws."

To those who do not know it might be said that a lobster's jammer claw is one of the big ones with which he breaks things up. It is always the larger of the two and is the one that has the teeth. The other claw is called the pincher.

"I have heard that there are such lobsters," was the captain's remark, "but I have never seen them, though I have handled thousands of the shell fish. I have even been asked by the Smithsonian institute to keep a watch for a lobster with a pair of jammers, but never have I run across one myself or seen anyone who has found one."

Lobsters with two pinchers have frequently been found.

"But about the funniest freak of all was a lobster a man showed me recently that had a regular rooster's comb. The fish had probably been bitten when the shell was soft and it had grown up in just the shape of a comb and red at that. If just the head of the lobster were pointed toward you you might think it was a rooster's head."

"One very funny thing I have noticed in my trips along the coast is that no fisherman has ever found any small lobsters around Little Deer island. There are plenty of them down the other way, around Great Deer island, but around Little Deer, they will always run from five to 12 pounds in weight."

Lobster Catching Prosperous for Maine Fishermen.

Asked by a reporter if he thought there were as many lobsters now as formerly Capt. Greenleaf said:

"There are more fishermen engaged in the business and there are ten lobsters handled now to where there was one 30 years ago. Then there must be more lobsters in the water. There are plenty of small ones all along the coast, a good proof that the supply is not by any means becoming annihilated."

"People frequently say there are not as many lobsters as formerly. Thirty years ago what lobsters were caught were disposed of almost wholly in the local market. Now Maine lobsters are sold as far south as Florida and as far West as Seattle."

"I tell you the lobster business is one of the very best in the whole State of Maine. You hardly realize the immense amount of money paid out to the fishermen. Why on one haul recently—that is, on one day's catch—one fisherman received \$110."

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Others in the Trefethen room then spoke of the great sums of money that had been paid to the lobster catchers. One man and his son at Matinicus during 1906 were paid over \$4000 for the lobsters they caught.

"Instead of being business for the winter by a few men," said Capt. Greenleaf, "lobster catching is now an all-the-year-round business with hundreds engaged in it. Every possible place where the fish could be is searched and the lobsters caught. I tell you if the state of Maine should lose its lobster business, there would be a good many men would have to find new jobs."

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WILL DEVELOP MAGDALENES.

New Canadian Fisheries Company Incorporated for the Purpose.

The incorporation of the "Eastern Canada Fisheries, Limited" was announced recently. The new company is on a sound financial basis, and represents the maturity of a scheme which has long been contemplated, namely the development of the great wealth in seal and other fisheries in the Magdalen Islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The Magdalen Islands were acquired by purchases from the Canadian government some time ago. The capital stock is \$1,500,000 divided into 15,000 shares of \$10 each. The head offices of the company are in Montreal.

The chief interests of the company lie in the fisheries, for which a most exhaustive list of privilege has been granted. The company can catch, smoke, dry, pack and export all kinds of fish and shell fish; and can sell fresh bait, and catch and sell seals and whales. They can carry on the business of manufacturers of guano, glue, oil, whalebone, fertilizers, and other substances.

The company has a very strong backing in Montreal and Quebec including one of the best known Canadian banks. Development will probably start next spring.

Maine May Pass Herring Law.

It looks now as if some sort of a herring law would be passed at the next session of the Maine legislature. There has been quite a great agitation along the coast for something to be done that would prevent the wholesale slaughter of these fish. The best way to save them, it is argued, is to stop seining. This is what will probably be done at the next session of the legislature.

Of course no law that can be passed will affect fishermen beyond the three-mile limit, but herring as general rule are not caught that far off shore. With their seines on the prohibited list, traps, weirs and nets would be left for the fishermen and these could be used to land the smaller fish.

The great amount of herring landed during the past year has caused the agitation for a law in order that the small fish may be given more freedom to grow up into large herring for smoking and bait.

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No Bait at Provincetown.

In a letter received from Provincetown yesterday morning it was stated that the Boston fishing schooner Mary T. Fallon came in there Tuesday, and landed a small catch of fish, which was sent to Boston by rail. The letter also brought the news that there was nothing found in the weirs Tuesday. This means for the fishermen that there will be no fresh bait at that port, and for the dealers that no small fish can be expected from there for several days.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Mary A. Gleason was at Shelburne, N. S., Monday and cleared for the fishing ground.

The Lunenburg sch. J. B. Young cleared from her home port Monday for Bay of Islands for a cargo of frozen herring.

Sch. Ramona sailed from Canso, N. S., Monday.

Foreign Smelts at Boston.

Cold weather is on in the provinces and car loads of natural frozen smelts are beginning to arrive at Boston. Besides what is now on the market a car load from New Brunswick is expected Monday or Tuesday.

On the Railways.

Sch. W. H. Moody is on the Rocky Neck railways.

For Frozen Herring.

Sch. Effie M. Prior is being fitted for a Newfoundland frozen herring trip under command of Capt. Jerry Cook.

EIGHT FARES AT T WHARF.

BOSTON FISH DEALERS PAYING HIGH PRICES TO SECURE THE FEW FISH LANDED.

T wharf is certainly poorly supplied with fish this morning. Yesterday after our report, sch. Rhodora arrived with a good market trip and hustled out her fish at fine prices. This morning found only eight fares in the dock and the whole eight only figured up about 58,000 pounds of fish, haddock and cod predominating.

A good-sized fleet of the boats still cling to the wharf and will do no fishing today, their skippers not liking the looks of the weather outside.

Prices are all right, \$5 for haddock and \$4.60 to \$5 for cod, with \$3 for pollock, and \$4 to \$5 for hake.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Rhodora, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Eva and Mildred, 18,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, 7000 haddock, 1100 cod, 300 pollock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 1500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Rose Standish, 900 haddock, 100 cod.

Sch. Florida, 7200 cod.

Sch. Marguerite McKenzie, 1000 cod.

Sch. Reliance, 500 cod.

Haddock, \$5 per cwt.; cod, \$4.60 to \$5; pollock, \$3; hake, \$4 to \$5; cusk, \$3.

SCHOONER COATED WITH ICE.

Sch. Angie B. Watson Had Eventful Fishing Trip.

With her main boom broken, her lower rigging and deck covered with a thick coating of ice, the fishing schooner Angie B. Watson arrived at Portland yesterday after an eventful fishing trip in the vicinity of Petit Manan. The little schooner encountered all sorts of severe weather since leaving Portland, and shortly after leaving Winter Harbor Tuesday morning the main boom was broken as it was unable to stand the strain set upon it by the stiff gale of wind blowing at the time.

Capt. Miller said that it had been a very disagreeable trip and that the continued cold weather had made it very hard work for the members of his crew. "It has been blowing hard nearly every day since we left home," said Capt. Miller, "and when we started for home Tuesday it was blowing a gale. On the trip up along the coast from Petit Manan to Monhegan we struck a heavy sea, and several seas swept over our deck. I remember one sea we struck went clear to our light boards and I expected that the dories would be damaged, but the sails lifted her up before any damage could be done."

While the trip was a hard one for all hands on board the Watson they will receive quite a tidy sum for the work, as 18,000 pounds of haddock and cod were caught during the stay at the fishing grounds. The vessel stocked about \$700 for the trip.

WILL MAKE TRIAL TRIP TODAY.

New Otter Trawler Ripple Will Soon Be Put in Commission.

The new otter trawler Ripple will make her trial trip today under the direction of the Fore River works with the representatives of the owners on board. If it proves satisfactory, the steamer will be accepted and made ready to be put in commission, which will take a week or 10 days. The Ripple is a duplicate of the recently built Foam, and will be put in command of Capt. Michael Green, who is now on the latter steamer.

Mammoth Sunfish.

A sunfish which weighed over two tons, became wedged recently in the bracket of the port propeller of an Australian steamboat. The jaws were comparatively feeble, but well adapted for masticating its food, which principally consists of minute pelagic matter, crustacea, and small fish. The skin in color was shagreen, and the texture that of the elephant. The naturalist to the Board of Fisheries of New South Wales, David G. Stead, who examined this specimen, stated that it was perhaps the largest ever killed, and certainly much larger than anything hitherto recorded or known of in Australian waters.

HERRING RECORD BROKEN.

Total of 30,000 Barrels Landed at Portland This Season.

All records for the landing of herring in Portland have been broken.

With the advent of the very cold weather, it may be said that the season for catching these fish is now at an end. None are being landed by any of the craft and what few may be brought in have been caught in traps or weirs. The greater part of the herring fleet, especially the steamers have tied up for the winter.

While no figures are available, it is estimated that the total amount of herring landed in Portland during the past fall was 30,000 barrels. Not only is this more than double the quantity received here last season but it is better than any other season in recent years and probably in the history of the city.

A number of reasons are given for this. The chief of them is that Casco bay and the neighboring waters were about the only places where the herring struck in on the whole coast of Maine. The fact that there were not any to be found to the eastward made the demand brisker for the herring here than it might otherwise have been. Then, too, toward the last of the season, the fishermen received \$1.50 a barrel for their fish where they were receiving but a dollar earlier in the season.

Herring did not strike in toward the coast until later than usual. Fishermen and others explain this by saying that the motor boats have been so numerous that they have practically driven the small fish off shore. When the small chugging, puffing craft have been hauled up for the season, and the waters have grown comparatively quiet, then the fish came in and were landed in almost countless millions.

MOTOR BOATS SCARE HERRING.

According to Claim of Newfoundland Fisherman Correspondent.

A correspondent in the Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star has a communication which will be quite interesting here, especially to those interested in the herring fishery on the Treaty coast of Newfoundland.

The correspondent says:

"According to conditions, it appears that the body—or shoal—of herring is keeping to deeper waters or more outside. The small shrimp-like fish which herring feed on is 'owing to fine weather' remaining more under shelter of islands at entrance of Bay; of course the herring stay where the bait is. A good northwesterly wind will send them in to more sheltered waters very soon; then better fishing will be the result.

"One of the gravest dangers to this source of income is being encouraged right in our midst. Gasoline boats are, I am convinced, that danger.

"Shock will tend to scatter or frighten fish of any kind. Herring are very timid, and I know from experience in seining, that perfect quiet is required, when about to shoot around a shoal of herring, otherwise—for your noisy trouble, you get a water haul.

"A few days ago I saw what ought to be convincing, as many as seven or eight whales blowing at a time, turning up the herring; gulls swooping down picking them up; a gasoline boat came along—in a few minutes there was not one whale in sight, and the gulls went off a mile or so and settled on the water, and it was noticeable that while the motor boat was there it looked blank enough. About half an hour after the boat left the gulls took to wing again and a whale showed once in a while. Next day the best fishing was elsewhere.

"Sound such as from gasoline boats travels very far under water—vibration is more tense.

"If that and a few more evils are not remedied, it will not be a case of 'Reap where we've not sown.' A union should solve matters—protective; benefit fishermen direct, and the problem of prices would not be a political one."

Louisburg, C. B., Fishermen Doing Well.

Fish are plentiful about the fishing grounds off Louisburg, C. B., at the present time. Tuesday last two local fishermen secured 1000 pounds of haddock and codfish. They sold the fish at the rate of ten cents a pound, which netted them \$10 each for their day's work. The American schooner Esperanto, which came in there Wednesday for shelter, has been fishing about six miles off the harbor and reports fish plentiful.

ONE POLLOCKER ONLY ARRIVAL.

THREATENING WEATHER KEEPS MARKET BOATS IN PORT—TORCHERS UNSUCCESSFUL.

The threatening southwest storm which seems to be slowly gathering, and for which the signals were set yesterday, is responsible for the good-sized fleet of market boats which are in port here for harbor.

The skippers have been trying hard to do some fishing, but the weather has certainly been against them of late. They dodge out every time it looks as though there would be a ghost of a chance to put a dory over, but lately it has been generally a case of get outside the Point and jog for two or three hours and then have to give it up after all and come in again.

Quite a number of the fleet came back yesterday afternoon and went out again last night, hoping for a chance today, but this morning found them stringing in again.

There have been no arrivals from off shore or from the eastward, although some of the herring fleet ought to be pretty close aboard by this time.

Last night the torchers drew a blank. They all went over, but did no dipping, as there were no herring to dip. It looks as though the season was about over, and that fresh bait will be done until the alewives run in the spring.

The only arrival with fish this morning was sch. Good Luck with 2000 pounds of pollock.

Yesterday noon sch. Maxine Elliott arrived here from Bonne Bay, N. F., with a full fare of salt herring.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.
Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.
Sch. Matthew S. Greer, shore.
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.
Sch. Hortense, shore.
Sch. Manomet, shore.
Sch. Maxine Elliott, Bonne Bay, N. F., 1300 bbls. salt herring, 75 bbls. pickled herring.
Sch. Dixie, shore.
Sch. Volant, shore.
Sch. Stranger, shore.
Sch. Hope, shore.
Sch. Thomas Brundage, shore.
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, shore.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.
Sch. Eglantine, shore.
Sch. Good Luck, shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ingomar, haddock.
Sch. James and Esther, pollocking.
Sch. Jubilee, pollocking.

Today's Fish Market.

Bay of Islands salt herring, \$4.50 per bbl.; Bonne Bay salt herring \$3.75 per bbl.; pickled herring \$5 per bbl.
Eastern deck handline salt cod, \$5.55 per cwt.; for large \$5 for mediums and \$5 for snappers.
Bank halibut 12 cts. per lb. for white, 11 cts. for gray, with the heads on.
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.
Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt.
Salt hake, \$2 per cwt.
Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt.
Splitting prices for fresh fish:
Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.
Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium \$1.30; snappers, 50c.
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.15 per cwt.
Georges handline salt cod, \$5.25 for large and \$4.75 for medium.
Fresh round pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.; gutted \$1.30.

Second Trips to Newfoundland.

Capt. Walter Doucette will fit the new sch. Sylvania for a second trip to Newfoundland, this time for frozen herring, as soon as the salt herring cargo of the craft is discharged.

Capt. Albert Hudder will also take sch. Saladin back on a second trip, going for frozen herring this time.

It is understood that Capt. Almon D. Malloch will make a second trip in sch. Indiana, fitting for salt and frozen.

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Scotch Herring Industry.

The second annual dinner of the Scotch herring buyers trading at Lowestoft during the autumn fishing took place recently. Bailie Mackie, of Fraserburgh, presided, and in referring to the magnitude of the fishing industry, said there were fishing from the port of Lowestoft this season 275 Lowestoft steam drifters, 52 Lowestoft sailing drifters, 261 Scotch steam drifters, 20 Scotch motor drifters, 125 Scotch sailing drifters, making a total of 733 herring and mackerel drifters, besides a fleet of 289 Lowestoft trawling smacks and 32 trawlers belonging to other ports, but at the time being fishing from Lowestoft—making a total of 1054 fishing vessels from that port. That great fleet was manned by over 7000 fishermen. He estimated that the drifters fishing from that port at the present time burned almost 40,000 tons of coal during the herring season, which lasted about eight weeks.

Herring at Rencontre, N. F.

A St. John's, N. F., exchange says: "Three seiners at Rencontre have about 1000 barrels barred. The herring here are of a very large size. The seiners expect to be able to hold them for two weeks more. One local schooner is loading here for Gloucester and will leave in a couple of days. The fishermen intend to hold off for \$1.50 when the Americans come for frozen herring, as they believe the short catch on the New England and Nova Scotia coasts will warrant that price. It is believed that herrings may now be had in Placentia and Conception Bays if the fishermen had the outfit to catch them."

Herring Trap Taken Up.

Already the traps at Eastham and Brewster have been taken up for the winter. These places supplied a good share of the large herring received in the Boston market within the last month.

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MEMORY IN FISH.

Experiments Show Also That They Can Differentiate Colors. Even the fishes of the sea have pictures on memory's wall. Experiments have been made with several fishes as to their faculties for remembering, and the most striking results have been obtained with the gray perch, which lives chiefly on small silvery hued sardines. Some of these were taken and colored red and were then put into the tank where the perch was with several silver colored sardines. Of course the normal sardines were at once seized and eaten, but it was not until hungry that the perch made a tentative meal of one of the red colored victims.

On recognizing the sardine flavor, however, he promptly demolished the remainder. Later the perch devoured the sardines irrespective of color, thus showing not only traces of a memory, but also the power to differentiate color.

Subsequently sardines colored red and blue were placed in the tank together with the silver ones. The same scene was repeated, the blue sardines not being attacked until the others were eaten and hunger compelled investigation of the newcomers. After this introduction the perch ate the sardines of all three types without any difficulty.

Some spines of the sea nettle were then fastened to the blue sardines. These were at once avoided by the perch, which promptly got out of the way of the newcomers. This showed traces of memory, as the results of contact with the sea nettle were shown and recognized.

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HERRING CHANGING LOCATION.

Fleet Chasing Them to the Different Arms at Bay of Islands. Advice from the Newfoundland treaty coast state that during the past few days the body of herring in Bay of Islands have been shifting from one arm to another, with the fleet chasing them all over the bay. The herring taken in the Humber Arm run larger than those taken at other parts of the bay. The weather holds fairly good, the snow is about four inches on the level and it has not been cold enough to freeze herring.

Record Breaking Lobster Season Expected.

F. J. Calder, Dominion Inspector of Fisheries, who arrived in St. John, N. B., on Tuesday, after a trip down the Bay of Fundy coast, says that he looks for a record breaking lobster season. Since the season opened the catch has been large, and the fishermen who had such poor results during the autumn, are rejoicing.

Good Stocks Made.

Sch. W. H. Moody, Capt. Thomas Crowell, stocked \$1,800 as the result of her recent fine Georges handline trip.

Sch. George Parker, Capt. Rufus McKay, stocked \$2,050 as the result of her recent haddocking trip.

New Schooner Towed From Essex.

The new sch. Elk was towed around from Essex yesterday and will have her spars stepped and rigging set up at once.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Olga was at Louisburg, C. B., Tuesday and cleared.

SHELLFISH WITH NO SHELLS.

Nudibranch Described by Commissioner Balch to Boston Club.

It was into a strange but exceedingly interesting corner of the animal kingdom that Commissioner Francis N. Balch led his fellow members of the Boston Malacological Club at a recent meeting, that of the shellless shellfish. The division of malacology considers that class of animals most popularly known as snails, of which the clam, quahog and oyster are the most familiar forms that come to the table in this country. These are but a portion of the group better studied than others that live in the sea, which have nothing in the way of a definite shell to protect them from their enemies. From this uncovered condition and other peculiarities the larger classification gives them the name of Nudibranch.

Although there are many of these on the New England coast, almost nothing is known about them, for the reason that they are very irregular in their coming, difficult of preservation, having no hard parts that may be cleaned, and put on the mantles shelf, and moreover are of a nervous organization similar to that of some of the starfish which induces them to break themselves to pieces when alarmed. The tropical forms, which are very brilliant in color, have been pretty well studied, and the speaker noted that scientists of New England know more of the Nudibranches of the Philippines than of those of their own coast.

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PRICES GOOD AT T WHARF.

BUT DEALERS HAVE LITTLE NEW STOCK TO WORK UPON THIS MORNING.

Two pollockers, a little bay netter, and one of the market boats are all that greeted the T wharf dealers who were looking for fish this morning.

Yesterday, after the morning report, sch. Esperanto, which had been fishing down off Cape Breton shore, came in with a fine fare, 58,000 pounds and sold at figures which mean a fine stock and share.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, another of the off-shore fleet, also came in yesterday and sold. This morning haddock brought \$5 and large cod the same. Hake were from \$3.75 to \$5 and pollock \$3.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Esperanto, 5,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 3000 hake. Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 13,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 15,000 hake, 1500 cusk. Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 4000 haddock, 5600 cod, 2500 hake, 1000 cusk, 500 pollock. Sch. Hobo, 2000 cod. Sch. Vilking, 6000 pollock. Sch. Winnifred, 1000 pollock. Haddock, \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$3.75 to \$5; pollock, \$3.

THICK STORM VESSELS AT SEA.

NO ARRIVALS AT THIS PORT THIS MORNING—HARBOR COVERED WITH VAPOR.

The near zero weather set the harbor ashiver this morning and it really looked like winter along the waterfront. Outside the vapor clouds could be seen, while quite a bit of ice formed in the docks and the vessels at the wharves showed a waterline of white iciness.

The watchmen on the vessels and at the firms saw the weather change after 1 o'clock from a howling easterly snowstorm and considerable wind to a cold northwester, clear and cold and the thermometer down to the zero mark.

There were no arrivals from offshore yesterday afternoon or last night, and the storm which shut in pretty thick the latter part of the afternoon would probably have caused any prudent big fellow coming on the land, to haul off and wait until it cleared. Some of the market boats came in and joined the large number already snug at the wharves. Naturally there was nothing doing in the herring torching line.

There will be nothing doing in the sailing line today, as it is blowing a regular young gale outside.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals in detail today are as follows:

Sch. Emerald, shore.
Sch. Motor, shore.
Sch. Rebecca, shore.
Sch. Jubilee, shore.
Sch. Marguerite Haskins, shore.
Sch. Massasoit, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Bay of Islands salt herring, \$4.50 per bbl., Bonne Bay salt herring \$3.75 per bbl., pickled herring \$5 per bbl. Eastern deck handline salt cod, \$5.55 per cwt.; for large \$5 for mediums and \$5 for snappers. Bank halibut 12 cts. per lb. for white, 11 cts. for gray, with the heads on. Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2. Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt. Salt hake, \$2 per cwt. Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt. Splitting prices for fresh fish: Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c. Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium \$1.30; snappers, 50c. Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.15 per cwt. Georges handline salt cod, \$5.25 for large and \$4.75 for medium. Fresh round pollock, \$1.20 per cwt., gutted \$1.30.

Dec. 16.

Portland Fish News.

The fishing schooner Marjie Turner was laying at Central wharf Wednesday taking out her iron ballast and in its place she will take on 70 tons of salt for shipment to the coast of Newfoundland and return with a full load of salt cod now in storage there for Lord Brothers of Portland.

Dec. 17.

French Trawler Held.

The troubles of the French trawler Baleine seem not to be settled the vessel still being held at Dominion wharf, at North Sydney, C. B. Whatever the damages against the trawler when she was first seized several weeks ago, they must now run up to a pretty penny. The indications are the Baleine will be the first of its kind to make North Sydney her headquarters.

Discussed Lobster Legislation.

A meeting was held yesterday at the residence of Commissioner Daniel B. Fearing, at Newport, R. I., of the Rhode Island inland fishery commission with representatives of the Massachusetts and Connecticut commissions, who discussed among other topics uniform legislation on fisheries and especially pertaining to lobsters.

Herring News.

Sch. Slade Gorton sailed from Can-so, N. S., Wednesday. The Lunenburg, N. S., sch Juniata cleared from her home port Wednesday, for Bay of Islands, N. F., for a cargo of frozen herring.